

# CLAIMS

1. A process for recovering and moving refinery tar by the formation of oil in water dispersions of the above tar, the above dispersions having a water content of at least  
5 20% by weight, and the dispersing agent being selected from salts of alkaline metals and ammonium, and relative mixtures, of the condensates of naphthalenesulfonic acid with formaldehyde, which comprises:
  - a) fluidification of the tar by heating to a temperature at  
10 least equal to its softening point;
  - b) mixing the tar thus fluidified with the desired quantity of water and dispersing agent until a dispersion of oil in water is formed;
  - c) recovery and moving of the tar in the form of the oil in  
15 water dispersion formed in step (b).
2. The process according to claim 1, characterized in that the water content of the dispersion is greater than 25% by weight.
3. The process according to claim 2, characterized in  
20 that the water content of the dispersion ranges from 28% to 32% by weight.
4. The process according to claim 1, characterized in that the dispersing agent is selected from salts of alkaline metals of the condensates of naphthalenesulfonic acid  
25 with formaldehyde.

5. The process according to claim 4, characterized in that the dispersing agent is selected from sodium salts of the condensates of naphthalenesulfonic acid with formaldehyde.

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